#### Chrisopher L. Kearney

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Wednesday, March 21, 2001

Robert Mills Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main St. Springfield, MA 01103-1628

Mr. Mills:

I received your letter of March 7, 2001. I have some issues to discuss with you about some of your statements. I will address these issues in a future letter after reviewing my files.

You have asked for information about the company Innomation, Inc. I owned this company for several years- it is now out of business. The work I did for Innomation, Inc. was as an agent of Kearney Associates, Inc. I was involved in sales and some management. The time I spent has already been accounted for in my reports for Kearney Associates, Inc. I was not on the payroll, I did not receive any dividends. My personal tax returns are accurate.

I was never an employee and I funded this company with my own personal resources, therefore there was no reason to report this to you. The Occupational Duties Form is apparantly designed for employees. As stated, my employer was not innomation, inc.

I will get the tax returns requested and send to you.

I have attended all of the doctors sessions you set up and I have recently sent a box of documents to Ms. Hymowitz to look over.

Sincerely.

Chris Keamey

FROM:

FAX NO. :

Jun. 25 2004 01:31PM P7

May 25, 2001

Mr. Robert Mills, Claims Consultant Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619

Re: Policy #H-493029 and H-538069

PLEASE RESPOND

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As is usual, my 2000 tax returns, business and personal will be completed in September and October, 2001.

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Thursday, April 06, 2001

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DMS concerning confidentiality of personal information. I did recently come across a W-2 Wage and Tax Statement for 1885 for Kearney Associates, Inc. was in a folder with copies of personal returns. Enclosed is a copy for you. I have crossed out the middle and last names of the employees in 1895 due to some very serious issues I now have with

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Robert Mills Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main St. Springfield, MA 01103-1628 APR 2001
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April 11, 2001

Mr. Mills:

<u>I am outraged and very disturbed</u> to find out that your board certified psychiatrist, Otto Kausch, M.D., disclosed to my brother, Timothy L. Kearney, confidential results or interpretation of results from the recent psychological testing! underwent for your purposes.

I was told by both Dr. Kenny, the psychologist, and Dr. Kausch that the test results were not available to <u>me</u> or my <u>doctor</u>, only to the insurance carrier or its representative, DMS.

I gave Dr. Kausch my permission, in good faith, to briefly talk with my brother and mother. He specifically told me: "to ask a few questions, not to disclose confidential information about you."

He told my brother on 3-15-01 that psychological personality testing recently taken by me indicates that I am "shy and withdrawn" and that my sales aptitude is "very poor." My brother told me of these disclosures the next day after talking to Dr. Kausch.

My brother told me that he was "shocked" that the doctor disclosed this to him. Whether this description of me is accurate or not, I am very upset that he would choose to disclose this to a family member without my consent. I find the description to be highly embarrassing. Dr. Kausch could have just stuck to "a few questions" without disclosing these test results.

In many letters to you, I have expressed my deepest concerns about personal, medical or psychological information being disclosed by you or your representatives to my family, friends, or business contacts. See my letters to you of 8-11-00, and 2-23-01 regarding my anxiety that improper disclosures might occur.

Your letter to me of March 7, 2001 states: "You can rest assured that while the authorization allows us to obtain information from various sources, it does not allow us to divulge to anyone, any of your personal medical information." (the underlining of the words for emphasis was done by you in your original letter)

Also, I am very concerned that any or all of my medical and psychological records now in your hands will be distributed, for your purposes, to various contractors across the country for "medical review." I am aware of the investigations done by the NBC television news program Dateline alleging that some medical decisions were made by non-medical or unqualified personnel in the insurance industry.

I plan to discuss these and other issues with the Ohio Dept. of Insurance and the State Medical Board of Ohio. I expect you to send a copy of all of the findings of the two doctors to my doctor, Dr. Donna McClure, immediately as you have promised in your letter of 2-2-01.

#### I believe that I have the right to see medical and psychological information about myself already disclosed to a third party without my consent.

I am also very distressed that Dr. Kausch told me in a phone call on 3-15-01 that my doctor, Dr. McClure, notes in her patient notes that I am "an alcoholic." I asked where specifically it says that I am "an alcoholic" as I have a copy of the patient notes. He recanted and said that "she had questions of possible alcohol addiction."

I am offended at his attempt to label me as an "alcoholic." Furthermore, I am very concerned about what DMS and all of its agents are telling my family, friends, neighbors, business contacts, etc. in your "ongoing evaluation of my claim."

Sincerely,

Christopher L. Kearney

cc: Strauss & Troy, Charles H. Melville

#### Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619 Tel:(413)747-0990 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

May 7, 2001

Christopher Kearney

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Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Kearney,

Thank you for your March 21st and April 11th letters.

Please be advised that we are looking into the concerns you have raised and have recently written to Dr. Kausch for his response in this matter. As soon as we hear back from him and receive the data from Dr. Kenny's testing; we will be able to complete our review of the examination. At that time, we will forward Dr. Judd-McClure a copy of results of the examination.

While we await the above, we are again asking that you complete an Occupational Duties form, describing any and all activities and duties you performed for Innomation, Inc. Contrary to what you seem to think, this is not a request for you to state whether or not you were an employee or owner of that firm. Rather, we need you to describe, in full, all duties you executed for that company regardless of your affiliation. Our investigation has revealed that you performed duties for Innomation that appear to be inconsistent with the limitations you claim to have.

It is my understanding that you have yet to produce many of the items requested in Ms. Leslee Hymowitz's March 26th letter. Interestingly, this includes the corporate tax returns for Innomation, Inc. Please be sure to produce all of the outstanding items of information requested as soon as possible so that we can move forward with this aspect of the evaluation of your claim.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 1-800-883-0596 ext. 1076 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert F Mills

Claims Consultant

May 22, 2001

Mr. Robert Mills, Claims Consultant Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619

Re: Policy #H-493029 and H-538069

Mr. Mills:



It is 2:46 AM and I am writing this letter to you because I am pretty damn pissed off at you, DMS, JP, Dr. Kausch, and all the rest of supporting cast who have contributed, in flagrant, relentless, malicious bad faith actions in my claim for benefits.

You have caused me many sleepless nights, anxious days, and, in general severe emotional distress!!!!

You have caused me to miss business opportunitities, to be unproductive at work because of the anxiety with the many threats to withhold benefits which I am entitled to!!! This is in addition to the many instances of coercion, intimidation, harassment, misrepresentations, and outright lies!!!

In addition, you have caused much difficulty dealing with my friends and family. I am miserable dealing with the personal animosity, the unending requests for trivial documentation of my already highly substantiated financial and medical condition. You already have a mountain of current and past documents that supports my claim, you have had statements from my doctors over the years and NOW YOUR DOCTORS!

I want the medical reports you received from Dr. Kenny and Dr. Kausch sent to Dr. Donna McClure NOW, IMMEDIATELY!!!!!

You are breaking the law by lying to me and withholding my medical and psychiatric information so flagrantly! You have had these reports for over 2 months now and I have direct evidence of that fact! Your bad faith is inexcusable and deporable!

In my letter to you of Satruday, 1-7-00, I clearly stated: "Willingly, I will meet with the doctors but I must have a copy of each report. It is my mind and body you are exploring. It is me who is driving at least 1 hr. to each appointment and spending a half day at each. I demand a copy of each report and I need a letter signed by you that I will get this copy within 48 hrs. of your receipt."

I then said to you in the same letter: "I also want a complete copy of each and every medical, psychological information obtained from any source by Jefferson Pilot and any other agent of JP. I direct this be sent to me or Dr. McClure. If this is not done promptly, the appointments for the doctors will have to be rescheduled."

#### PLEASE RESPOND ~

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How could it be clearer to anyone that my health is not a concern to you? Your many statements on the phone to me that I am, in your opinion, able to work full time because I sound okay on the phone to you and I am talking to you on the phone and I am not in a dark place or in bed as is your understanding of depression- your "layman's understanding", you say.

I do not ask for nor do I appreciate your opinion of my medical condition. It makes me even more upset to hear your "Layman's Misunderstanding of depression." You do this in all phone conversations thinking this harassment won't be brought to anyone else's attention. This is one reason I rarely speak on the phone with you. Your harassment sets me back days and weeks. Please don't play doctor in my claim.

Despite your lack of cooperation and Ms. Hymowitz lack of cooperation in responding in letters with answers to my questions (most recent letters attached), I am continuing to look for, retrieve, and photocopy documents, which seem ridiculous to me for your "ongoing evaluation of my claim." Ms. Hymowitz has not responded to my letter received by her over two months ago.

I plan to list, in an upcoming letter, your fiduciary duties of good faith and fair dealing with regard to my insurance contracts. Obviously, you and your associates think that these don't apply to Jefferson-Pilot, since you can throw unlimited dollars into harassment procedures to continue the harassment.

This letter from me of 1-27-01 was sent via registered mail. You acknowledge receipt of this letter in your letter to me of 2-2-2001. You state: "We will be pleased to send a copy of the results of those examinations directly to Dr. Judd-McClure as soon as we receive them."

You say, "AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE THEM." You have received them. Don't give me any bullshit that you haven't or that they were sent to one of your dummy partners! Also, I want them sent NOW!!! The issue with Dr. Kausch violating my medical privacy in violation of state law, federal law, your own statements, and the ethical code of conduct of the American Psychiatric Association is a separate issue. His response to you, as well as receiving the data from the test is not an excuse to further hold reports by Dr. Kausch and Dr. Kenny!!!!

I want the reports NOW!!! I understand that you may be giving the doctors time to change their reports to meet your needs, and/or you are shopping my medical information to paper review companies to get a self serving report that meets your needs, whatever the costs!!!

SEND THE ORIGINAL REPORTS NOW!!!!!!!!

CHRISTOPHER L. KEARNEY

May 25, 2001

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#### Chrisopher L. Kearney

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Phone: 330-264-4216 Fax: 330-264-4216

Friday, June 01, 2001

Jefferson Pilot Financial
Attn: Connie Caldwell, Supervisor of Client Services Dept.
Client Services Dept. - Privacy
PO Box 21008
Greensboro, NC 27240

RE: Christopher L. Kearney, Jefferson Pilot Policies #H-493029, H-538069

Ms. Caldwell:

I received for the first time a copy of Jefferson Pilot Financial's **PRIVACY PRACTICES NOTICE**. This was sent to me folded and addressed to me with no signature. I am not sure who sent this. Please do not send me phantom letters.

I am enclosing a money order for \$25.00 as a handling fee for the following request:

I request that I receive photocopies of the two IME medical examination reports. I participated in these examinations at the request of Robert Mills of Disability Management Services, Inc. of Springfield, MA. Previously, I have been promised copies of these reports following the examinations.

I request that I receive photocopies of the assignment letters, and the reports themselves signed by Dr. John Kenny, Ph.D. and Dr. Otto Kausch, M.D. I request copies of the reports, assignment letters, and any associated documents sent to Jefferson-Pilot, Disability Management Services, Inc., Psychiatric Disability Consultants, or any office affiliated consultant, company or other entity that may have reteived these doctors' reports and documents instead of Jefferson Pilot. That is, I want copies of these documents regardless of where they were sent.

Since these reports were completed in March 2001, I request this information be serit to me as promised.

Please mail or fax these documents to me by June 8th, 2001.

Sincerely.

Mistopher L. Kearney

cc: Ohio Dept. of Insurance

#### PRIVACY PRACTICES NOTICE

The Jefferson Pilot Financial companies\* are concerned about your privacy. In order to issue and service high quality financial products and services, we collect personal information about you. We do not sell your information to third parties, and we disclose your personal information only as necessary to provide the products and services you expect from a financial services leader. This summary of our practices is provided for your information. You do not need to take any action as a result of this notice, but you do have certain rights as described below.

Collecting Information. To conduct our business, we may collect nonpublic personal information about you from:

- applications or other forms, such as name, address, Social Security number, assets and income, employment status and dependent information;
- · your transactions with us, our affiliates, or with others, such as account activity, payment history, and products and services purchased;
- · consumer reporting agencies, such as credit relationships and credit history. These agencies may retain their reports and share them with others who use their services;
- other individuals, businesses and agencies, such as motor vehicle reports, and medical and demographic information; and
- visitors to our websites, such as information from on-line forms, site visitorship data and on-line information collecting devices commonly called "cookies."

We do not collect medical or health information, nor do we request financial information from consumer reporting agencies, on our mutual fund and brokerage consumers.

How We Treat the Information. Within Jefferson Pilot Financial we restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information to provide our products or services or to otherwise conduct our business, including actuarial or research studies. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with federal and state regulations to safeguard all your nonpublic personal information. We may also disclose all of the information described above to third parties with which we contract for services. We contractually require these third parties to protect your information. Examples of these third parties are:

- · financial service providers, such as third party administrators, broker-dealers, insurance agents and brokers, investment companies, registered representatives, investment advisors, companies that perform marketing services on our behalf or on behalf of Jefferson Pilot Financial and another financial institution, or to other financial institutions with whom we have joint marketing agreements; and
- non-financial companies and individuals, such as our consultants and vendors and the Medical Information Bureau.

In addition, we may disclose your nonpublic personal information to medical care institutions or medical professionals, insurance regulatory authorities, law enforcement or other government authorities, or to affiliated or nonaffiliated third parties as reasonably necessary to conduct our business or as otherwise permitted by law.

Our privacy procedures apply even after you stop having any customer relationship with Jefferson Pilot Financial.

We retain the right to use ideas, concepts, know-how, or techniques contained in any nonpublic personal information you provide to us for our own purposes, including developing and marketing products and services.

We do not disclose to our affiliates any information we receive about you from a consumer reporting agency.

We do not disclose your nonpublic personal information to third parties except as necessary to provide you our products and services. You do have the right to review the personal information about you relating to any insurance or annuity product issued by us that we can reasonably locate and retrieve. You also can request that we correct, amend or delete any inaccurate information. If you wish to do this, please write Attn: Privacy Inquiry, to the address you normally use for your correspondence with us. If you don't have that address, write to: Jefferson Pilot Financial, Attn: Client Services Department-Privacy, P.O. Box 21008, Greensboro, NC 27420, describe the information you wish to see and enclose payment for our \$25.00 handling fee.

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Friday, June 01, 2001

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June 5, 2001

Christopher Kearney

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Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069 Claim Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Kearney,

Thank you for your letters of May 22 & May 25, 2001. It is again unfortunate that you continue to mischaracterize my explanations throughout the processing of your claim. Moreover, your ongoing clamoring appears to be a further attempt to distract yourself from continuing to meet your contractual obligation of submitting ongoing Proof of Loss.

We have received a response from Dr. Kausch. Dr. Kausch found that the statements made by your brother were inconsistent with the information obtained from the testing conducted during your evaluation. He explained that the conversations in this regard was short, and was within the scope of his agreement. We also have received and completed our review of the data from Dr. Kenny's testing. As promised, we have now forwarded both medical reports to Dr. Judd-McClure.

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Finally, we have asked an independent occupational specialist to contact you in the near future. In our ongoing effort to understand your work experiences, we need to develop a further understanding of your previous work background and current duties to determine if there are any transferable skills between the both of them.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert F Mills Claims Consultant June 12, 2001

Mr. Robert Mills, Claims Consultant Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619

Re: Policy #H-493029 and H-538069

#### **PLEASE** RESPOND

Filed 07/13/2007

Mr. Mills:

Your continued requests, in writing, from both you and your forensic accounting partner for documents I already told you I don't have, many times in writing, and on the phone, is extremely irritating and obviously a continuation of the harassment directed at me.

I told Ms. Hymowitz, in my letter of 4-5-01, of my annoyance for repetitive requests and you have copies of all her correspondence. She completely ignored my concerns and did not respond to my questions posed in the letter of 4-5-01. I want answers to my questions. Furthermore she requested bank statements and checks for Kenwood Technology Group Inc., which have already been sent and received by Hymowitz. It is clear to me that she is acting in bad faith as you have approved and obviously encouraged.

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Please start acting in good faith, and share your information. I am tired of answering repetitive requests from you, JP, Hymowitz, etc. I was very surprised that you told me that you didn't even have my entire claim file. You told me this in our phone conversation of 10-30-00. You then asked for the name of the agent who sold me the policy. You have contacted him, I understand, since our conversation of 10-30-00 and harassed him with various requests.

How irresponsible can you and DMS be in making accusations and threats in letters without reading the entire file? This includes your boss, Mr. Hughes, who wrote me a very threatening 3page letter dated October 2, 2000. Despite asserting that he has read the file on me, he obviously didn't. In fact he didn't even recognize my name when I called him after my return letter was sent to him. He said, "Should I know you?" I was inquiring about the check for that month which he threatened to withhold. In our latest phone conversation of 2-15-01, you said you are "aware" of previous correspondence in my file. It is obvious that you haven't read the file and will continue to ask for documents already sent.

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How could it be clearer to anyone that my health is not a concern to you? Your many statements on the phone to me that I am, in your opinion, able to work full time because I sound okay on the phone to you and I am talking to you on the phone and I am not in a dark place or in bed as is your understanding of depression-your "layman's understanding", you say.

I do not ask for nor do I appreciate your opinion of my medical condition. It makes me even more upset to hear your "Layman's Misunderstanding of depression." You do this in all phone conversations thinking this harassment won't be brought to anyone else's attention. This is one reason I rarely speak on the phone with you. Your harassment sets me back days and weeks. Please don't play doctor in my claim.

Despite your lack of cooperation and Ms. Hymowitz lack of cooperation in responding in letters with answers to my questions (most recent letters attached), I am continuing to look for, retrieve, and photocopy documents, which seem ridiculous to me for your "ongoing evaluation of my claim." Ms. Hymowitz has not responded to my letter received by her over two months ago.

I plan to list, in an upcoming letter, your fiduciary duties of good faith and fair dealing with regard to my insurance contracts. Obviously, you and your associates think that these don't apply to Jefferson-Pilot, since you can throw unlimited dollars into harassment procedures to continue the harassment.

#### PLEASE RESPOND

Have you talked yet to one of the JP attorneys so that you can provide me with an exact definition of "proof of loss" as requested by me on 10-30-00? You said that you don't know because DMS represents so many different insurance companies and they all have different definitions. You have referred to your perceived duties on my part under this term, but it still remains clear as mud to me of why requirements have become ever more burdensome each day.

Your duties include answering all my questions in a timely manner. What a joke, huh?

I wonder all the time: How many other legitimate insurance claims, are handled by you and DMS and JP and Hymowitz with such flagrant disregard for the law?

How many other people are subjected to such emotional distress in your zeal to deny legitimate claims and make more money for yourself and DMS? What is your bonus structure? Why does JP not even attempt to distance itself from the bad cop, DMS? Are they so arrogant that they think that they can get away from their responsibilities to their policyholders and claimants? Is JP number one in the country in profits among the insurance companies because they approve of the harassment and intimidation techniques?

Bad faith runs rampant. It affects me severely and now my family has to put up with the absolute frustration I feel. Now my mother has to be concerned about your following and photographing me and probably her. Ms. Harden told me they follow me into the Church and "sit with me." I did not attend much after hearing that.

Thanks for all of your help in making me a more mistrusting person.

ihristopher L. Kearney

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Enclosures:

Copies of:

Robert Maxwell letter to Christopher Kearney dated 11-8-94, received 11-26-94

My letter of 11-29-94 responding to request for documents with tax returns

My letter to Mills of 5-25-01 with stamped new request for unanswered questions

My letter to Hymowitz of 4-5-01, unacknowledged or responded to, with stamped request for a response.

June 16, 2001

Mr. Robert Mills, Claims Consultant Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619

Re: Policy #H-493029 and H-538069

#### PLEASE RESPOND

Mr. Mills:

Enclosed please find copies of the Federal Tax Returns for Innomation, Inc. (Kearney Magnetics and Engineering, Inc. in 1995), which I just received, from the IRS. These returns are for the years 1995, 1996, and 1997.

Your perceived ever-expanding powers to smother me with paperwork are still not agreeable to me. The policies state that "reasonable proof" of income "may" be required.

As demanded, I am also enclosing a copy of the 941 Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return of Kenwood Technology Group, Inc. dated 4-30-01 for the period ending 3-31-01.

Your partner forensic accounting firm has recently requested copies of all receipts, invoices, checks, purchase orders, bank statements, and on and on for Kenwood Technology Group, Inc. for the year 2001. I will attempt to comply even though this is clearly continued harassment.

As stated previously, your demand for a completed Occupational Duties Form is not relevant to Innomation, Inc. You appear to be making up new rules with each demand.

Again, I am attaching a letter to you of May 25, 2001 and a letter to your forensic accounting firm of <u>April 5, 2001</u> (over 2 months), which have been ignored. <u>This is my third request.</u> Hopefully you and Ms. Hymowitz will soon respond to my questions in these letters.

Finally, (for today anyway), I ask you for an explanation of your statement in your letter of 6-5-01: "In our ongoing effort to understand your work experiences, we need to develop a further understanding of your previous work background and current duties to determine if there are any transferable skills between the both of them."

Sincerely,

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Phone: 330-264-4216 Fax: 330-264-4216

PLEASE RESPOND

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Jefferson Pilot Financial Attn: Gennie Galdwell, Supervisor of Client Services Dept. Client Services Dept.- Privacy PO Box 21008 Greensboro, NC 27240

RE: Christopher L. Kearney, Jefferson Pilot Policies #H-493029, H-538069

#### Ms. Caldwell:

I left a message on your phone recorder today concerning my mailed request of 6-1-01, received by Jefferson Pilot on 6-4-01. I have had no response from Jefferson Pilot. I am enclosing another copy of that letter of 6-1-01 for your convenience. I request an immediate reply.

Also, for another request, I am enclosing a check (#177) for \$25.00 as a handling fee for the following request:

I request copies of any and all surveillance logs, photos, sound or video recordings or any other documents pertaining to current or past surveillance by Jefferson Pilot or any of its agents, representatives, or outside services. I request that all of this information, for the entire period of my claim (2-8-93 to present), be sent to me no later than July 5th, 2001.

I am mailing this letter with check and attached previous letter of 6-1-01 via US Express Mail so that you will have plenty of time to get this information to me promptly.

Sincerely.

Christopher L. Kearney

cc: Ohio Dept. of Insurance

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Phone: 330-264-4216 Fax: 330-264-4216

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JUN-25-2001 18:03 FROM: JEFFERSON PILOT

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John M. Evans, FLMI, ACS Assistant Vice President -Client Services

Jefferson Pilos Financial PO Box 21008 Greensboro, NC 27420

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June 20, 2001

**Christopher Keamey** 

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Dear Mr. Keamey:

We have received your latter dated June 1, 2001 in which you have requested various medical reports. To obtain copies of those reports, you must contact the providers directly. Therefore, we are returning your \$25.00 money order to you.

Please be assured that Jefferson Pilot is concerned about your privacy. We do not disclose any information we receive about you from a consumer reporting agency to our affiliates. We do not sell your information to third parties. We do not disclose your information to third parties except as necessary to provide you with our products and services, or unless legally required or authorized by you to do so.

Sincerely,

John R. Evans, FLMI, ACS

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#### Donna Judd-McClure, Ph.D.

Clinical Psychologist

26700 Goose Creek Rd. McArthur, OH 45651-8984

Phone: 1-740-596-3823

July 7, 2001

In reply to:DMS letter of June 5, 2001

Mr. Robert F Mills, Claims Consultant Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main St. Springfield, MA 01103-1619

Dear Mr. Mills:

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This letter is written in reply to your letter of June 5, 2001 in which you enclosed copies of reports completed by Dr. Kausch & Dr. Kenny for Christopher L. Kenney, DOB: Redacted

This first question that comes to mind is: Why did you wait for 2 ½ months to send these to me? Mr. Kearney told me in February that you promised him that copies would be sent to me "as soon as we receive them." By this broken promise, you have caused major stress and anxiety to my client.

I agree with the following statements in the report by Dr. Kausch:

"He said he became even worse in October when the insurance company began to harnss and intimidate him." And concerning his depression: "most was due to his problems with the insurance company."

It is my strong professional opinion that DMS and Jefferson Pilot has, in fact, been harassing and intimidating my client, Mr. Kearney, for many years, at least since 1997. Furthermore, my client has been very upact with various delays of payments, threatening letters, unanswered policy questions and more since 1994.

This harassment and intimidation, including misleading and false statements, has been constant the past few years. It has been so severe that my client has had a major sotheck in his business and personal relationships to such a degree that I have been very concerned about his mental health and his ability to live through this extreme conduct on the part of the insurance company. His severe canotional distress is the result of your malicious conduct.

Mr. Koarney, at his insistence, has shown me some of the correspondence over the years that have particularly aroused great fear in him that he cannot trust his insurance company to send the benefit checks in a timely and consistent manner, if they send them at all. Because his original business failed due to his back problems that required surgery and his concurrent major depression, he has been severely distressed financially as well as emotionally. He told me that he had been making searly \$100,000.00 per year in salary prior to his disability.

To Mr. Kearney's credit, he has pursued another occupation and has used his benefit checks to help start and sustain his current business, Kenwood Technology Group. He has had hopes that, with success, he could be free of the disability company and live with less anxiety and depression.

He has told me, that despite the inability to work full time, he has made progress in his business until your threats of, and withholding of, benefit checks devastated him emotionally last October. He said he hasn't been able to work much, if at all, to this day. He has lost faith in and trust in people in general, especially persons working on your behalf.

Presently, Mr. Kourney says that he has been again contacted by two more agents who are "independent occapational rehabilitation specialists." When't land Beattie, MS. CRC, CIRS, supposed to be independent? Having met with her personally, it is abandantly clear to me that she met with my client under false pretenant. Because of her intimidation techniques, my client has had understandable fear of

I wrote to Ms. Candra Stona on March 25, 2000 (copy of which you received) and stated in paragraph number five: "The number of individuals in various states across the country that are involved in Mr. Kearney's case is creating an environment wherein confidentiality cannot be maintained. It is important to maintain a working relationship with my client, an environment of trust. I do not believe it is in my client's best interest to there his present adjustment with so many individuals."

It is very clear by your outragous conduct that Mr. Kearney's beath is of no concern to DMS, Jefferson Pilot, and your namy agents.

I notice from the medical reports that you had Mr. Kearney followed around by CS Claims Groep, Inc. has year from 2-29-00 to 5-20-00. This was done despite my written continuence of disability form of 3-10-00 seet to you with my diagnosis of Mr. Kearney as "Major Depression with parasoid identions."
Wouldn't it have been prudent of the insurance company to have Mr. Kearney sebmit to an IME at that time rather than follow around a person with parasoid identions? Apparently you disregard my reports. If you had doubts about my diagnosis, then you should have set up an IME immediately. Why not several years ago? Mr. Kearney has never, to my knowledge, been opposed to submitting to an IME.

I sent a copy of my files to you last Jenuary despite your refusal to answer my questions in my letter of March 25, 2008. It is my professional right and obligation to know the name of the professional and his/ her credentials before sending this information. You refused to answer this question and you refused to have a psychiatriat from your office call me, despite your promine to Mr. Keamey that you would do this.

After this, you have the nerve to characterize my fee, which was itemized and in accordance with the principles of the American Psychological Association, "sastement to extortion." With regard to your statement to Mr. Kentrey in your letter to him of Amany 24, 2001; "we feel that this excessive charge for photocopying..." This is a fraudulent antennent. It was not metrely for photocopying. See my invoice of December 21, 2000.

Because of the frustrations I have had dealing with your insurance company and the fact that you paid leas than 50% of my invoice of December 21, 2000, I have had to raise my bourly rate to Mar. Kearney to \$150.00 per hour from \$120.00 per hour effective January, 2008. This is unfair to Mar. Kearney and supports his concerns to me that your harasment techniques towards me and Dr. Lehenbauer are intended to make things more difficult for him.

My client, Mr. Kenney, has encountered more oppression and maliciousness by an insurance company than my client I have ever seen in my 28 years of practice.

To this point, severe damage has been done to my client's emotional and occupational well being as a result your past and ongoing haramenest and intimidation. I find it entremely difficult to escourage my client that things will get better with the insurance company because it is quite apparent that your outrageous conduct is very likely to continue, in my opision, as it is now and has boon for years.

oc: Mr. Christopher Keanney Thompson, Hine and Flory LLP, 10 W. Broad . Columbus, Ohio 43062

# Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street. Springfield, MA 01103-1619 Tel:(413)747-0990 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

July 13, 2001

Christopher Kearney

Redacted

Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069 Claim Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Kearney,

We have your letters dated June 12 and June 16, 2001, and a copy of your letter dated June 25, 2001, addressed to Baker and Baris, Inc. We have also received the 1995 Corporate Tax Return for Kearney Magnetics & Engineering, and the 1996 and 1997 Corporate Tax Returns for Innomation, Inc.

We are at a loss regarding your continuing refusal to complete a Description of Occupation form outlining the duties you preformed for Innomation, Inc. As you know, prior to our questioning you about this company on 3/7/01, you never mentioned it in any of your written or verbal communications. When we asked you about the work you did for this organization you said "The work I did for Innomation, Inc. was as an agent of Kearney Associates, Inc." If we rely on that explanation, and rely on your statement that you told me "... by letter on 12-22-00 that you have no further documents to send concerning Kearney Associates, Inc.", one would necessarily conclude that the tax return and all other information pertaining to Innomation, Inc., and all of the work you did for that firm as an agent of Kearney Associates, would have been in our file as of 12-22-00. Yet it wasn't.

In your letter dated 3/21/2001, you also state that "The time I spent (working for Innomation) has already been accounted for in my reports for Kearney Associates Inc." This would seem to infer that the duties you did for Innomation, Inc., which you say were "sales and some management", were identical to those duties you did for Kearney Associates, Inc." However, inasmuch as Kearney Associates was a manufacturers representative company, and Innomation, Inc was a firm that was involved in the actual design and manufacturing of industrial custom equipment, one would have to question if,

at least, some of the duties you did for Innomation, Inc., may have been different than those you were performing for Kearney Associates, Inc. Our information is that some duties were different, yet you did not advise us of those activities prior to 3/21/01 and you continue to decline to detail those activities.

As you know, since you claimed that your ailments have caused you to be unable to work as long in the office or make as many sales calls as you did prior to disability, we asked you for documentation that might support that claim. As we pointed out to you in our letter dated 10/2/2000, the financial records we presently have do not reflect any reduction in travel related expense commensurate with the onset of your difficulties. While you have stated that the travel expenses which continued after your disability started were those of other employees, you have not furnished any documentation that would show that the travel expenses occurring before the disability started were yours, or documentation that would show that the travel expenses which occurred after the disability started were someone else's.

The above and other issues we have discussed with you are pertinent to our evaluation of your eligibility for benefits under your disability policy. The policy provides benefits under the Residual Disability provision if you are: (A) unable to do one or more of the substantial and material duties of your profession; or (B) unable to do your usual daily business duties for substantially as much time as is usually required to do such duties, and such inability results in an earnings loss. In this situation, determining any disability related earnings loss you may have is difficult for a variety of reasons. First of all, you are claiming that you are unable to drive as much as you used to be able to drive, and you are unable to make as many sales calls as you used to be able to make (While you, in fact, continue to both drive and make sales calls). Accordingly, rather than having a situation where there is a complete inability to do something, in this instance we are trying to evaluate a claim in which there is only a degree of inability. Under the best of circumstances, objectively determining the extent of only a degree of inability, in any claim, is difficult. In claims such as this, where the medical limitations are primarily subjective in nature, measuring the impact of your disability on your ability to perform your predisability duties, and it's impact on earnings, becomes even more difficult.

What makes this claim even more problematic to evaluate, however, is that you continue to perform the above duties in a different occupation. (To answer the question in your June 16th letter, this is the issue that I was addressing when I referred to a comparison analysis of the skills required to do your present job versus those required to do your previous job). This causes us to have to consider whether or not there are other factors, besides disability, which are impacting the amount of sales calls you make and the amount of driving you do. Along these lines, the following are just some of the questions we must necessarily attempt to answer: 1) Are your sales calls and driving activities self limiting because of the lack of business (i.e. are you performing all of the sales calls that can be made in the new enterprise?) 2) Are you electing not to perform as many sales calls, in order to engage in some other, business or non-business, activity? 3) Did litigation with one or more of your customers (such as JE Grote) in any way affect your business? 4) Did the new business, as with many new businesses, simply not succeed? Etc.

Considering all of the above, our ongoing need to obtain documentation substantiating your eligibility for continuing benefits, and your clearly expressed dissatisfaction both with us and the claim process, it occurs to us that exploring a compromise settlement of this claim might be in the best interest of both parties. This offer is made in all sincerity, and we hope its intention is not misinterpreted. If you are not interested in such a dialogue, please simply tell us. If you are, kindly let us know. Naturally, if you are not interested in exploring an alternative resolution, we would need to communicate to you the information that is presently required to further evaluate your claim.

I hope this letter addresses your outstanding concerns, and answers the questions about why we need certain information. If not, please contact me and I'll do my best to provide you with whatever additional information you require. In the event that you would prefer to have an attorney represent your interests, we would be happy to speak with that individual as well. I can be reached by telephone at 1-800-883-0596 ext. 1076. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Robert Mills

Claims Consultant

cc:

Ms. Mary Baker

Ms. Leslee Hymowitz

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John J. Spingel

Via Certified Mail

August 10, 2001

Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Post Office Box 21088 Greensboro, NC 27420

> Re: Dur Client: Policy Mumbers:

Chris L. Kearney E-493029 & H-538069

Gentlemen:

Mr. Kearney has retained this office to represent him in connection with his majoing disability claim with your company pursuant to the operative terms and conditions of the above captioned policies.

I have been recently retained and an now in the process of carefully reviewing the history of the claims under these policies.

En the meantime, you are to no longer have any direct communication with Mr. Kearney. Any communications you wish to direct to Mr. Kearney should be sent to the undersigned. This includes written and oral communications. It is my impression that Mr. Kearney has been the ongoing victim of substantial abuse and harassment by your company, it's agents, servants, and employees. This conduct must ceese immediately.

Please also be on notice that from this point forward, the specific terms and conditions contained in the contracts of insurance apply. Hr. Kearney will no longer be filling requests for documents or other information unless such requests are supported by specific language, as provided in each of the above contracts. If it is not in the contract of insurance you will not get it.

Concerning the contracts of insurance, I am requesting that you provide this office with certified copies of the complete policy for each of the above numbered contracts. This includes all application forms, endorsewents, addends, and the policies



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themselves. Please get those sent here at your earliest opportunity.

Please also undertake to make sure that Mr. Kearney receives his disability benefits every month on time. No delays will be tolerated.

Please be governed accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

JJS/pc

cc: Chris Kearney

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## Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103-1619 Tel:(413)747-0590 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

August 23, 2001

Christopher Kearney

Redacted

Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069 Claim Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Kearney:

Thank you for submitting the recent Continuance of Disability form.

We have yet to receive your response to my July 13, 2001 letter. Please be sure to respond as soon as possible so that may continue with the processing of your claim.

If you have any questions, I can be reached directly at 1-800-883-0596 ext. 1076.

Sincerely,

Robert F Mills Claims Consultant Page 30 of 41

### Disability Management Services, Inc. 1330 Main Street. Springfield, MA 01183-1619 Tele(413)747-0990 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

September 18, 2001

Law Offices John J. Speigel 700 Concord Building 66 West Flagler Street Miami, FL 33130

Attention: John J. Speigel

Re: Christopher Kearney

Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Speigel:

Thank you for your August 10, 2001 letter. As I explained to you during our August 28<sup>th</sup> telephone conversation, our office had just been provided with a fax copy of your letter earlier that morning. Please be sure to direct all further correspondence concerning Mr. Kearney's claim to my attention at the above address.

As you requested, enclosed you will find a specimen copy for each of Mr. Kearney's policies. We look forward to having a discussion with you concerning the next steps in the administration of this claim after you have had time to review the history of Mr. Kearney's claim and the provisions of his policies.

Please feel free to contact me directly at 1-800-883-0596 ext. 1076.

Robert F Mills Claims Consultant

> d/Wa: New England Cloims Administration Services, Inc. in FL, MD, MB Licensed as New England Claims Administration Services, Inc. in CA d/b/a Centre Cleims Administration Services in NH

Via Fax: 413.747.1545

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900 Concord Building 66 West Flagler Street Miami, Forida 33130

Telephone (305) 539-0700

John J. Spiegel

October 19, 2001

William J. Hughes, V.P. Claim Operations Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street Springfield, MA 01103

> Re: Our Client/Your Insured: Chris Kearney Policy Numbers: H0493029 & H053069

Dear Mr. Hughes:

Our meeting of October 11, 2001 began with you threatening to reduce Mr. Kearney's disability benefits from \$6,786.00 to \$3,500.00 per month, on the stated basis that for the past seven (7) years Jefferson Pilot and your firm, DMS, mistakenly overpaid my client. You also made it clear that the reduction in benefits would occur if Mr. Kearney did not accept a lump-sum "settlement" which would be calculated on the basis of 70% of the present value of the reduced monthly benefit using an approximately 10% discount factor. The meeting concluded. Mr. Kearney was not interested in making a counteroffer to your offer to him of \$280,000.00.

Since the meeting, you called asking for a counteroffer. Again, Mr. Kearney, on my advice, declines to counter to your figure. Also since our meeting, I have had an opportunity to review the documents, the facts, the policies, the proposal from Jefferson Pilot upon which my client materially relied in making his decision to purchase the subject policies, and my firm belief is that Jefferson Pilot and DMS have indeed been paying Mr. Kearney the correct amounts over these many years.

FROM:

FAX NO. :

Jun. 09 2003 11:04AM P5

Page two October 19, 2001 William J. Hughes

It cannot be any surprise to you now that Mr. Kearney's psychiatric condition has worsened. Your own examining psychologist and psychiatrist recently confirmed the existence and severity of Chris' mental illness.

It is my feeling that Mr. Kearney would be better off with this claim over and done with, but if that is to occur, it must be done in good faith, without intimidation, fear or threats.

To demonstrate our good faith, I enclose the "proposal" given Mr. Kearney by Jefferson Pilot's Agent prior to him buying this coverage. While you review this, keep in mind that the representations in the proposal are logally binding upon the insurance carrier, any ambiguities will be construed against the carrier, and any doubts will be resolved in favor of the insured and against the carrier. Jefferson Pilot, by conduct, has ratified the representations and promises in the proposal. Also, other documents from Jefferson Pilot admit or tend to admit the existence of ambiguities in the policies, particularly with regard to the distinction between the types of claims, classes of benefits, applicability of cola and the SS supplement.

If Jefferson Pilot is interested in a fair lump-sum arrangement, please recalculate your offer based on total benefits, a 7% cola, the social security supplement, lifetime benefits, and a far more realistic discount factor.

I look forward to your response.

JJS/is

Encl: Proposal 13 pages

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Law Offices John J. Spiegel

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700 Concord Building 66 West Flagler Street Miami, Forida 33130

Telephone (305) 539-0700

John J. Spiegel

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A third party administrator for:

Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

October 22, 2001

John J. Speigel Law Offices John J. Spiegel 700 Concord Building 66 West Flagler Street Miami, FL 33130

Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Speigel:

We received your facsimile of October 19, 2001 relative to the above claim. Before addressing the facts of the coverage and the claim, I would like to briefly address your characterization of the tenor of our meeting.

As you know, rather than beginning the meeting with a threat to reduce Mr. Kearney's benefit as you state, I actually started the meeting with an apology for having to advise you of our recent discovery that Mr. Kearney has been receiving monthly benefits at a rate significantly higher than the maximum benefit allowable under the terms of the policy for his claimed Residual Disability. I also advised you that this overpayment came to our attention upon our close examination of the policies after you requested a second set of "certified" contracts. This is in stark contrast to Mr. Kearney's suggestion (as per the voice-mail message you left on October 18, 2001) that the reduction in benefits was "in bad faith" and "retaliatory".

The above aside, we advised you that the maximum benefit allowable under the above policies for someone who is Residually Disabled is \$2,125.00 under policy # H-493029 and \$1,375.00 under policy #H-538069. As you know, Mr. Kearney is receiving benefits at the rate of \$4,290.00 under policy #H-493029 and \$2,496.00 under policy #H-538069. The increased amounts were the result of the company incorrectly paying the Social Security Supplement Benefit, and providing a yearly 7% increase under the Cost of Living Increase Rider based upon the combination of the Basic Monthly & Social Security benefit. As we pointed out to you, the Social Security Supplement & Cost of Living benefit are payable in the event of a Total Disability only, and are not payable in the event of a Residual Disability, which is what Mr. Kearney has been claiming since 1993.

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I appreciate the materials you forwarded with your fax of October 18th. However, I did not note anything in the "proposal" documents that are contrary to what the policies state, or that support your contention that Mr. Kearney has been receiving the correct amount of benefits. Also, it is interesting that, in your cover letter, you did not cite any particular parts of the proposal that you feel supports your position or is contrary to ours.

Nevertheless, in the interest of goodwill while we fully review the claim and the documents you supplied, we are sending an additional payment to Mr. Kearney based on the current, incorrect amount he has been receiving. This payment is, of course, being made with a full reservation of rights.

We will be in contact with you again in the near future regarding the company's position. If you have any question in the meantime, please feel free to call me (ext. 1052) or Mr. Mills (ext. 1076).

Sincerely your

FROM:

William/Hughes

Vice President/Claim Operations

# Disability Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street. Springfield, MA 01103-1619 Tel:(413)747-0990 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

November 28, 2001

John J. Speigel Law Offices John J. Spiegel 700 Concord Building 66 West Flagler Street Miami, FL 33130

Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069 Claim Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Speigel:

Under separate cover, we have sent Mr. Kearney another benefit payment at the current and incorrect amount that he has been receiving. We are making this payment in the interest of goodwill while we fully review the claim and the documents you supplied. This payment is, of course, being made with a full reservation of the company's rights under the policy.

We will be in contact with you when our review is completed. If you have any questions in the interim, please do not hesitate to call us at 1-800-883-0596.

Robert F Mills

Claims Consultant

FROM:

FAX NO. :

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#### **FAX MESSAGE**

Date:

Thursday, February 07, 2002

To:

Disability Management Services, Inc.

Robert Mills

Phone:

800-883-0596

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413-747-1545

From:

Christopher L. Kearney

Phone:

330-264-4216

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Per our brief phone conversation today, Mr. John Speigel, of Miami, Florida is no longer representing me in this insurance matter. Please send any/all correspondence to me at 621 E. Bowman St., Wooster, Ohio 44691.

I will let you know if when I have new representation.

You told me benefit checks were authorized and sent out already on the 29th of Jan. I have not received these checks but I will continue to look for them in the mail.

Christopher L. Kearney

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#### Disaoility Management Services, Inc. 1350 Main Street. Springfield, MA 81103-1619 Tel:(413)747-0990 Fax:(413)747-1545 A third party administrator for: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company

March 11, 2002

Christopher Kearney

Redacted

Re: Policy Number/s: H-493029, H-538069

Dear Mr. Kearney:

We are in receipt of your February 7, 2002 fax notifying us that Mr. John Speigel is no longer representing you in this insurance matter. Pursuant to your instructions, we will communicate directly to you at the above address.

As you may be aware from our previous communications with Mr. Speigel (see enclosed October 22, 2002 letter directed to Mr. Speigel), upon our closer examination of your policies after a second set of "certified" copies was requested it was determined that an overpayment has been made on your claim. We had previously advised Mr. Speigel that you have been receiving monthly benefits for quite some time at a significantly higher amount than the maximum benefit allowable under the terms of your policies for your claimed Residual Disability.

In the interest of good will, we have continued benefit payments to you at the current, yet incorrect amount, as we continue to fully review this matter and explore all options available to us. These payments, of course, have been made with full reservation of the company's rights under the policies.

Prior to Mr. Speigel's representation, we had communicated to you the information that is presently required to further evaluate your claim (see enclosed July 13, 2001 letter). As you also will recall, we are also in need of several of the items requested in Ms. Hymowitz's August 13, 2001 letter (copy enclosed). Lastly, we discussed having you interviewed by an occupational specialist.

We remain interested in resolving our differences with you and had discussed an offer with Mr. Speigel towards reaching a settlement in this matter. Should you wish to continue this dialogue directly with us or seek other legal representation to handle these discussions, please be sure to notify us accordingly.

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We look forward to realizing the information requested in the above noted letters as well as pursuing our request to have you interviewed by an occupational specialist. We thus ask that you contact us in the next 30 days to advise us of your availability for the interview, when the other claim information will be forthcoming and whether or not you wish to continue a dialogue aimed at achieving a resolution. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 1-800-883-0596 ext. 1076.

Sincerely.

Robert F Mills
Claim Consultant